REMARKS

The present document is a Preliminary Amendment. Claims 25-47 are introduced in this application, a co-filed RCE in the matter.

Fig. 1 has been amended such that member (16) is shown using dotted lines. Member 16 is further indicated in Fig. 4a and Fig. 5. Applicant submits that member (16) now differs from member (7) shown in Fig. 1. Previously amended reference numeral (13) has been renumbered as (26).

Fig. 3 has been amended such that reference numeral (9a) identifies the edge of the poster.

Fig. 7 has been amended to show that linking device (34) is not a single item but one of a pair of linking devices. Fig. 13 shows only a single one of the linking devices (34) from Fig. 7.

Fig. 12 and 13 have been amended by removing reference numeral (14), which is better shown in Fig. 14.

Applicant submits, in response to the examiner's objection, that Fig. 1 does show how the flexible item is attached to member (26). The flexible item is attached by item (16), as further shown in Fig. 5.

Reference numeral (1) has been removed from all drawings except for Fig. 1, where it identifies the element set.

No new matter has been added.

In the outstanding Office Action, the examiner indicated that claims 1-22 and 24 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the 35 USC § 112, second paragraph, rejections raised thereby.

By this Amendment, claims 1-22 and 24 have been rewritten as claims 25-47. The claims have been rewritten to provide

antecedent basis and definiteness so as to particularly point out and distinctly claim the invention.

In light of the amendments and the above remarks, it is believed that Applicant's claims are now definite and clearly define over the prior art. Issuance of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

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